

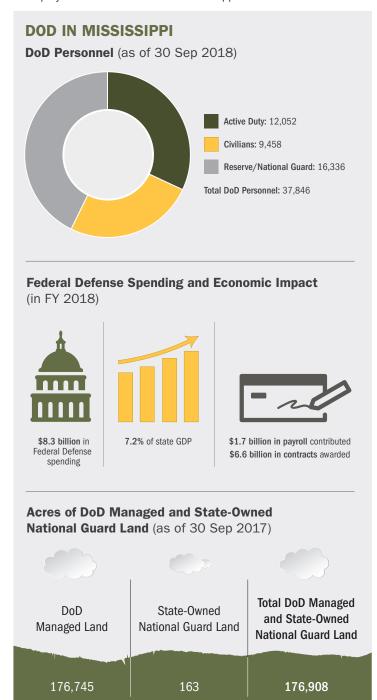
READINESS AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION INTEGRATION PROGRAM STATE PROFILE | MISSISSIPPI

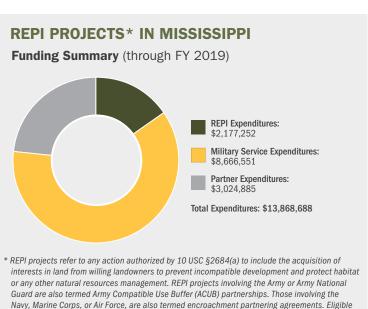


OVERVIEW

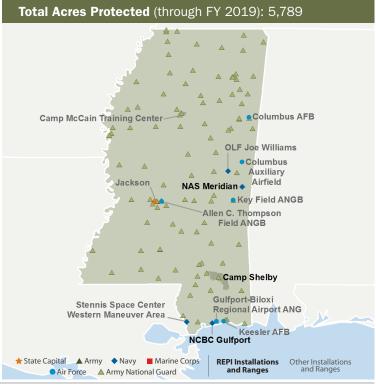
Mississippi received \$8.3 billion in Defense spending in Fiscal Year (FY) 2018, which provides direct funding for DoD personnel salaries, defense contracts, and construction of military facilities in the state. This spending by DoD personnel, contractors, and their families creates significant economic activity, attracts related industries and investment, and generates important state and local government tax revenues.

The Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI) Program is a key tool used by DoD and its partners to protect the military's ability to train, test, and operate in the state. DoD created the REPI Program in response to the development of lands and loss of habitat in the vicinity of or affecting its installations, ranges, and airspace that can lead to restrictions or costly and inadequate training and testing alternatives. Through REPI, DoD works with state and local governments, conservation organizations, and willing private landowners to address these challenges to the military mission and the viability of DoD installations and ranges. The REPI Program has enjoyed broad bipartisan support both in the U.S. Congress and among groups representing state and local officials. Through FY 2019, DoD and its partners have spent more than \$13 million on REPI projects at 3 installations in Mississippi.





partners include conservation organizations and state and local governments.



MILITARY PRESENCE

- Gulfport Seabee base, in partnership with Mississippi Power, developed a \$7 million, 15-acre solar facility at the Naval Construction Battalion Center in July 2017. The facility is the first of its kind and is expected to power 450 homes across Southern Mississippi while meeting the Navy's gigawatt goal. The base also replaced the outdoor lighting with alternative energy sources to save more than \$120,000 a year and reduce its energy consumption by 30%.
- The Federal appropriations for the Mississippi Army and Air National Guard during FY 2018 were approximately \$622 million, and the state appropriations were approximately \$7.9 million.

- In September 2017, NCBC Gulfport developed strategic training exercises at Camp Shelby to prepare and deploy military personnel Hurricane Harvey relief efforts in Texas.
- The military constantly strives to improve Mississippi's energy resiliency and energy security. Beginning in 2017, NAS Meridian leased 38 acres of land for solar energy projects and to diversify energy sources through local partnerships.
- Keesler AFB is a lead joint training installation, training over 30,000 military and civilian government personnel annually.
- Camp Shelby is the largest state-owned and operated field training site in the United States.

REPI PROJECTS

Project Installation	County	Congressional District
Camp Shelby	Perry, Forrest	4th
NAS Meridian	Lauderdale, Kemper	3rd
NCBC Gulfport	Harrison	4th

For all REPI Project Profiles visit: http://www.repi.mil/BufferProjects/ProjectList.aspx



Camp Shelby offers a variety of training, including practice medical evacuations.

For more information about the REPI Program, visit www.repi.mil

Southeast Regional Partnership for Planning and Sustainability (SERPPAS)

- The REPI Program supports regional partnerships such as SERPPAS to identify common issues and solutions for mutual benefit.
- SERPPAS partners work to prevent encroachment around military lands, encourage compatible resource-use decisions, and improve coordination among regions, states, communities, and military services. For more information, visit www.serppas.org.
- Mississippi is a member of SERPPAS, along with the states of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, and South Carolina.

Key REPI Partners

- Compatible Lands Foundation
- EKO Asset Management Partners
- Kemper County
- Lauderdale County
- Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks
- Mississippi Development Authority
- Mississippi Fish and Wildlife Foundation
- Mississippi Land Trust
- Mississippi State University Foundation

- National Wild Turkey Federation
- Northern Arizona University
- State of Mississippi
- The Nature Conservancy
- The Trust for Public Land
- U.S. Department of Agriculture-Natural Resources Conservation Service
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- U.S. Forest Service
- Wildlife Mississippi

Data Sources

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